

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

BRANCHVILLE LOCKETT SCHOOL

Orangeburg 4

Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 684** 

Principal: David B. Hess

Superintendent: Brenda Turner Board Chair: Mr. Aaron Rudd

### **PERFORMANCE**

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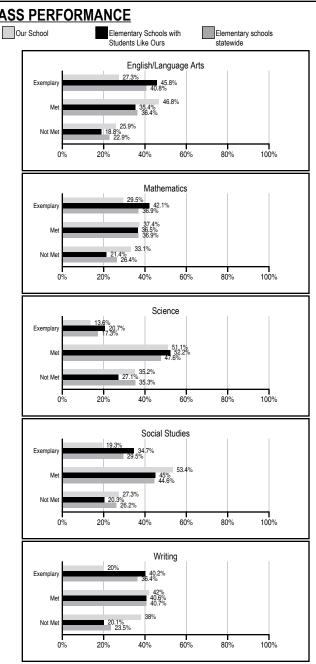
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
30	35	32	0	0

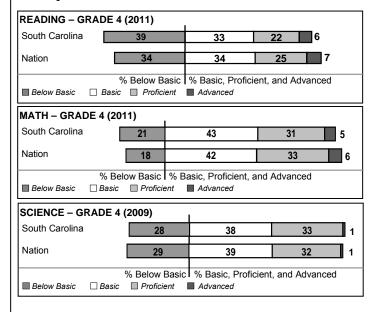
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





### NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# BRANCHVILLE LOCKETT SCHOOL [Orangeburg 4] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=684)				
Retention rate	1.9%	N/A	1.1%	1.1%
Attendance rate	94.4%	N/A	96.2%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	13.6%	N/A	17.2%	13.4%
With disabilities other than speech	3.5%	N/A	4.4%	4.1%
Older than usual for grade	2.8%	N/A	0.2%	0.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	N/R	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=39)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	48.7%	N/A	62.5%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	82.1%	N/A	90.3%	88.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.5%	N/A	89.1%	87.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.0%	N/R	95.4%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,920	I/S	\$47,393	\$46,773
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	17.1 days	N/R	11.7 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	N/R	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.4 to 1	N/R	20.7 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.1%	N/R	90.5%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/R	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	N/R	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	N/R	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	N/R	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,886	N/A	\$6,987	\$7,447
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.6%	N/A	68.4%	68.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.3%	N/A	65.9%	65.8%
% of AYP objectives met	70.6%		94.7%	90.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

# **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with learning environment	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Dear Branchville-Lockett School Students, Parents, Teachers, Concerned Citizens, and School Board Members,

Branchville-Lockett School (BLS) serves the Branchville area of Orangeburg County as a K-12 unit school with approximately 685 student body located in a rural setting. The faculty and staff of BLS is made up of dedicated individuals who have high expectations for all students to learn and grow in a positive and warm educational environment. We believe all students can learn and that parents should be involved in the education of their children.

Branchville-Lockett School has had many academic successes this year. Both the Elementary and High School met Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) this year making it one of the few schools in the entire state to do so. Scores on PASS testing, grades 3-8, have consistently been at or above state averages in all areas. Students at BLS had excellent End-of-Course scores in Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies at a passing rate of 95% and an overall passing rate for all EOC tests above 70% which indicated an improvement in all EOC tests this year. Our state report card indicate that BLS was "Average" for absolute rating and "Average" for growth in all three levels (Elementary, Middle, and High School). The elementary school is a Red Carpet winner, Orangeburg County Summer Reading Program winner, Health Factor champion, and has received numerous other awards for the 2010-2011 school year. The middle grades have seen tremendous growth from the Academy of Reading Program and Compass Learning. The Varsity volleyball team, under Coach Ron Nester and Coach Starr Bright, won the lower state championship and the soccer team, under Coach Craig Porter, made the quarter finals of the lower state during the 2010-2011 school year. The elementary students put on a fantastic Cinderella play under the direction of Ms. Tammy Jones. The high school students, under the direction of Mrs. Toni Ott and Ms. Debbie McConnell, had an outstanding performance of Macbeth.

At the end of the school year teachers/staff grades K-6 selected Ms. Wendy Smith as Teacher of the year and Mrs. Barbara Corder as Staff Person of the year. For teachers/staff grades 7-12, Ms. Debbie McConnell was selected as Teacher of the year and Ms. Libby Fairey as Staff Person of the year.

The two mottos that we at Branchville believe in are "Only the Best at BLS" and "Branchville is a Rayl Rode School(RRS) Respect, Responsibility, and Safety". BLS must provide students with academic rigor, relevance, relationships, and fun to be successful for the future. Through the combined efforts of students, parents, and teachers Branchville-Lockett school strives to help all students reach their full potential. We encourage all students to build positive memories while preparing to be productive citizens for the future.

We thank you for your continued support.

David B. Hess Jennifer Hess Principal SIC Chairperson

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.